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dear ellen: many thanks for the invitation to participate and allow me to speak at the meeting, hope you will come back soon but under more pleasent conditions.....some additional aspects related to the studies externalities..(1) if water shortages impact the salton sea it will be a direct or indirect result of it being use for cooling purposes by the power plants and by a "mexican-us entety"..... under our commerce-investment mexican laws any foreigner is consider a mexican subject; thrfor the impact would come initialy from a mexican entity; (2) such possible impact will be in water levels; expouse land surfice to wind, possibly increasing dust and other erosive prosesses...(3) shrinking of water area could increase, alter or change the sustain mechanisms for the avian population of the salton sea and inmediate region of association, as water area-surface becomes smaller birds will concentrate in a smaller surface and waste will increase in density acelerating biological processes and responses in that habitat...(4) i can interpret such future situations as a direct-indirect violation of the migratory bird treathy act between mexico-us-canada by mexico and the us at the same time......(5) and still the air emisions, from the two power plants are my biggest concerns, if we are not able to conduct measurements because we lack the monitoring stations how then can we id the inmediate consequences by the emision of their pollutants; the existing ones and their possible recombination and how they might impact our health and our environment...it is urgent that we establish a scientific mechanism to understand whats happening with the pollutants, how its affecting us and our environment and what needs to be done to either prevent, control or restore impacts but in trhe short run and not find out every two years when someone decides to publish it during a nafta meeting or a border 2014 meeting....and last (6) are we so sold on the technology or so rigid that it cant be made better??? if so than we were sold an old dying horse that will be with us at least 25 years...a time lasp i cant afford to allow to be use in repercution to others...please be so kind in sending me a copy of your report so i can read it and provide you with comments, many thanks for your concerns and hopefully my comments and the ones ventilated by all others will be of use for your recommendations saludos carlosy